

# Wipe away my sins

This 'contrafacta' is a pre-1650 setting of the Latin Motet 'Absterge Domine' with English words, being a loose translation of the Latin original

Editor's Note: 1. Accidentals in the source are inconsistent. All accidentals are therefore editorial.  
Any remaining false relations are intentional and probably authentic.  
2. This edition has been transposed up a tone to make it suitable for modern mixed voice choirs.

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**Soprano**  $\text{♩} = c.86$   
Wipe a - way my sins. Wipe a -

**Alto**  
Wipe a - way my sins. Wipe a - way

**Tenor**  
8 Wipe a - way my sins. O Lord, wipe a - way my sins.

**Baritone**  
Wipe a - way my sins.

**Bass**  
Wipe a - way my sins.

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- way my sins..... O Lord, wipe a - way my

my sins. O Lord, wipe a - way my sins, O

8 O Lord, wipe a - way my sins, O Lord, wipe a - way my sins,.....

Wipe a - way my sins. O Lord, wipe a - way my sins. wipe a - way my

O Lord, wipe a - way my sins.

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sins, which ig - nor - ant - ly in my youth I..... have

Lord, wipe a - way my sins, which ig - nor - ant - ly in my youth I have

..... which ig - nor - ant - ly in my youth I have done, I have

sins, which ig - nor - ant - ly in my youth I have

wipe a - way my sins,..... which ig - nor - ant - ly in my youth I have

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done; and give par - don to the pen - i - tent, and give par - don to the

done; and give par - don to the pen - i - tent, for thou art....

done; and give par - don to the pen-.....i - tent, and give par - don to the pen-.....i -

done; and give par - don to the pen-.....i - tent, for thou art.....my Lord, my....

done; and give par - don to the pen-.....i - tent,



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All the hope of my soul doth on - ly rest in thee, doth on - ly rest in the hope of my soul doth on - ly rest in thee, my soul doth on - ly rest in doth rest in thee, the hope of my soul doth rest in thee, all the hope of my soul doth soul doth rest in thee on - ly, all the hope of my soul doth on - ly rest in thee, all the hope of my soul doth rest in

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thee. Thou art my hope, thou art my... thee. Thou art my hope, thou art my health, Thou art my on - ly rest, on - ly in thee. Thou art my hope, thou art thee, my soul doth on - ly... rest in... thee. Thou art my hope, thou art my thee. my soul doth on - ly rest in thee, doth rest in... thee.

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health, thou art my health. Thou art my hope, thou art my health, hope, thou art my health. Thou art my hope, thou... my health,.....thou art my..... health. Thou art my hope,.... health. Thou art my hope, thou art my health. Thou art my hope,.... Thou art my hope, thou art my health, thou art my..... health. Thou art my hope,....

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thou art my health. My tears do tes - ti - fy my grief, my do-.... art my health. My tears do tes - ti - fy my grief, my do - lour .....thou art my health. My tears do tes - ti - fy my grief, my do - lour and af- .....thou art my health. My tears do tes - ti - fy my..... grief, my do - lour and af- .....thou art my health. My tears do tes - ti - fy my grief, my

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...-lour and af - flic- -ti - on. My tears do tes - ti - fy my grief,  
 and af - flic- -ti - on. My tears do tes - ti - fy my grief,  
 8 -flic- -ti - on. My tears do tes - ti - fy my grief, my do-  
 -flic - ti-on, af - flic - ti - on. My tears do tes - ti - fy my- -grief, my  
 do - lour and af - flic - ti - on. My tears do tes - ti -

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my do - lour and af - flic- -ti - on. Be mind-ful, O Lord  
 my do - lour and af - flic- -ti - on. Be mind-ful, O Lord God,  
 8 -lour and af - flic- -ti - on.  
 do - lour and af - flic - ti-on, af - flic - ti - on. Be mind-ful, O Lord God, Be  
 -fy my grief, my do - lour and af-flic- -ti - on. Be mind-ful,

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God, Be mind-ful, O Lord God, Be mind-ful, O Lord God, O....

Be mind-ful, O Lord God, Be mind-ful, O....

8 Be mind-ful, O Lord God, Be mind-ful, O Lord God, O

mind-ful, O Lord God, Be mind-ful, O Lord..... God, O

O Lord God, Be mind-ful, O Lord God, Be mind-ful, O Lord God, O

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..... Lord God, of thy good-will, of thy good - will, of thy good-

..... Lord God, of thy good-will, of thy good - will, of thy good - will,

<sup>8</sup> Lord God,..... of thy good - will, of thy good - will,

Lord God,..... of thy good - will,..... of thy

Lord God,..... of thy good - will, of thy good - will, of thy good - will,

The musical score is for a vocal and piano setting of the 'Ave Maria' by Franz Schubert. It features five staves: three vocal staves (Soprano, Alto, and Tenor/Bass) and a grand staff for piano accompaniment. The music is in G major and 3/4 time. The lyrics are in Latin, and the score includes a measure number '69' at the top left. The vocal parts have lyrics written below them, and the piano part provides harmonic support with chords and melodic lines.

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-will, of thy good-will, of thy good - will, of thy good - will,

of thy good - will, of thy good - will, of thy good - will, of thy good - will,

8 of thy good-will, of thy good - will,

good - will, of thy good - will, of thy good - will, of thy good - will,

of thy good-will, of thy good - will, of thy good - will, of thy good - will, and

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and with fa - your give ear un - to my prayer,

and with fa - your give ear un - to my.....

8 and with fa - your give ear un - to my prayer,

and with fa - your give ear un - to my prayer, and with fa - your give

with fa - your give ear un-to my prayer, and with fa - your give



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and with fa - vour give ear un-to my prayer, un - to my prayer.

prayer, and with fa - vour give ear un - to my prayer. Then shall my

and with fa - vour give ear un-to my prayer, un - to my prayer.

ear un-to my prayer, un - to my prayer, un - to my prayer. Then

ear un-to my prayer, un - to my prayer.

Then shall my heart re - joice in thee, Then shall my heart re - joice in thee, Then shall my heart re - joice in thee, shall...

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Then shall my heart re - joice in thee, Then shall my heart re - joice in

heart re - joice in.....thee, Then shall my heart re - joice in.....thee, Then shall my

Then shall my heart re - joice in thee, shall re-joice in thee, Then shall my heart re - joice in thee, shall...

shall my heart re - joice in thee, re - joice in thee, Then shall my heart re - joice in thee, re - joice in

Then shall my heart re - joice in thee, Then shall my

Then shall my heart re - joice in thee, Then shall my heart re - joice in thee, Then shall my heart re - joice in thee, shall...

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thee,----- and my spi - rit shall serve thee, and my spi - rit shall-----

heart re-joyce in thee, and my spi - rit shall serve thee, serve

8 -----re-joyce in thee, and my spi - rit shall serve thee, shall serve thee,

thee, and my spi - rit shall serve thee, and my spi - rit

heart re-joyce in thee, and my spi - rit shall serve thee,-----

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----- serve thee,----- and my spi - rit shall serve thee, serve

thee, and my spi - rit shall serve

8 and my spi - rit shall serve thee, and my spi - rit shall serve

shall serve thee, and my spi - rit shall serve thee, serve thee, shall serve

----- and my spi - rit shall serve thee, and my spi - rit shall serve

